

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): An information processing apparatus comprising:
control information acquiring means for acquiring from a program information
providing apparatus control information for controlling preset recording of a program;
identification information acquiring means for acquiring identification information for
identifying a recording apparatus by which said program is recorded;
code information acquiring means for acquiring, on the basis of said identification
information acquired by said identification information acquiring means, code information
for controlling said recording apparatus, said code information corresponding to being
automatically obtained from a server apparatus if unavailable in a local memory, said code
information correspondingly employed with said control information acquired by said control
information acquiring means; and
transmitting means for transmitting said code information acquired by said code
information acquiring means to said recording apparatus.

Claim 2 (Currently Amended): The information processing apparatus according to
claim 1, wherein said ~~transmitting means transmits said code information to said recording~~
~~means, said coding means instructing code information instructs~~ said recording ~~means~~
~~apparatus~~ to execute one of operations for starting and ending a recording session.

Claim 3 (Original): The information processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said transmitting means transmits said code information which instructs said recording apparatus to execute a preset recording operation.

Claim 4 (Original): The information processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said identification information acquiring means acquires a maker name and a model name of said recording apparatus as said identification information.

Claim 5 (Original): The information processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said code information acquiring means acquires said code information through a network.

Claim 6 (Original): The information processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said control information includes broadcast channel information, broadcast date, broadcast start time, and broadcast end time of said program.

Claim 7 (Currently Amended): An information processing method comprising:
a control information acquiring step of acquiring from a program information providing apparatus control information for controlling preset recording of a program;
an identification information acquiring step of acquiring identification information for identifying a recording apparatus by which said program is recorded;
a code information acquiring step of acquiring, on the basis of said identification information acquired in said identification information acquiring step, code information for controlling said recording apparatus, said code information ~~corresponding to~~ being

automatically obtained from a server apparatus if unavailable in a local memory, said code information correspondingly employed with said control information acquired in said control information acquiring step; and

 a transmitting step of transmitting said code information acquired in said code information acquiring step to said recording apparatus.

Claim 8 (Currently Amended): A ~~program storage medium storing a computer-readable program~~ computer-readable carrier, including computer program instructions which cause a computer to implement a method of information processing, comprising:

 a control information acquiring step of acquiring from a program information providing apparatus control information for controlling preset recording of a program; an identification information acquiring step of acquiring identification information for identifying a recording apparatus by which said program is recorded;

 a code information acquiring step of acquiring, on the basis of said identification information acquired in said identification information acquiring step, code information for controlling said recording apparatus, said code information ~~corresponding to being~~ automatically obtained from a server apparatus if available in a local memory, said code information correspondingly employed with said control information acquired in said control information acquiring step; and

 a transmitting step of transmitting said code information acquired in said code information acquiring step to said recording apparatus.